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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bachovchin
Serial No.: 09/289,321
Filed: April 9, 1999
For: MULTIVALENT COMPOUNDS FOR CROSSLINKING RECEPTORS AND
USES THEREFOR

Examiner: Lukton, D.
Art Unit: 1653

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION REQUESTING WITHDRAWAL OF THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

A Notice of Abandonment for the above-referenced patent application was mailed on April 17, 2001. Applicant respectfully submits that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error and hereby requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.

The Notice of Abandonment indicates that the application was held abandoned for failure to respond to an outstanding Restriction Requirement that was mailed September 1, 2000. However, a Response to the above-mentioned Restriction Requirement was mailed, with a Certificate of Mailing as required by 37 CFR §1.8, on October 2, 2000. Since October 1, 2000 was a Sunday, the deadline for responding to the Restriction Requirement was automatically extended until Monday, October 2, 2000, and thus the Response was timely filed. A copy of the Response is enclosed herewith.

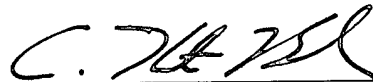
Applicant's records further indicate that the above-mentioned timely-filed Response was received in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 10, 2000. In particular, Applicant enclosed a return postcard with the Response. The postcard was returned to the Applicant after having been stamped as received in the Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the stamped return postcard is enclosed.

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In light of Applicant's timely filing of a Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 1, 2000, Applicant respectfully submits that the holding of Abandonment in this case was made in error and requests that the Notice of Abandonment be withdrawn with no fee.

Please charge any fees that may be associated with this matter, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

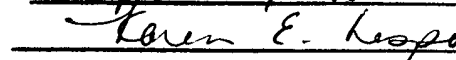
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed are the following documents:

1. Petition Requesting Withdrawal of the Holding of Abandonment
2. Response to Restriction/Election Requirement
3. Copy of Stamped Return Postcard
3. Return Postcard

If any additional fees are required to be paid or if any overpayment has been made, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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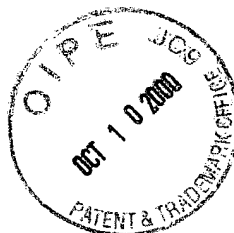
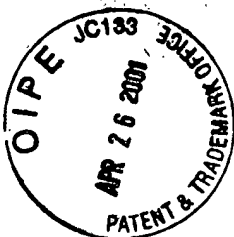
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- 1.) Transmittal Letter
- 2.) Response to Restriction/Election Requirement
- 3.) Preliminary Amendment

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